

April 7, 2026

The Honorable Christopher Ward  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support – AB 2525 (Ward) – Mission Bay Park

Dear Assemblymember Ward:

On behalf of Mission Bay Park Committee, we are pleased to support AB 2525, which will help preserve Mission Bay Park in the City of San Diego as one of California's premier destinations for outdoor recreation and public enjoyment.

The Mission Bay Park Committee advises the Park and Recreation Board and City of San Diego staff on the development, utilization, and policies regarding Mission Bay Park.

Mission Bay Park is one of the largest aquatic parks in the United States, encompassing more than 4,200 acres of shoreline, waterways, beaches, and open recreational space. The park offers a remarkable variety of landscapes and supports a wide range of outdoor activities enjoyed by residents and visitors alike.

Mission Bay supports virtually every type of boating activity, including sailing, waterskiing, windsurfing, jet skiing, rowing, paddling, and swimming. Bicycle paths shared with hikers and inline skaters wind throughout the park, connecting beaches, picnic areas, and recreational facilities around the bay.

These amenities make Mission Bay Park one of the most accessible and diverse outdoor recreation destinations in Southern California. Millions of people rely on the park each year for affordable outdoor recreation, family gatherings, and opportunities to connect with nature along the coast.

Maintaining the park's recreational infrastructure—including visitor-serving amenities that support park users—is critical to ensuring that Mission Bay remains accessible and welcoming to the public.

Mission Bay Park is legally dedicated as parkland under the San Diego City Charter, meaning the land must remain devoted to park and recreational purposes. AB 2525 recognizes this legal framework and allows the City to continue investing in facilities that support recreation and public enjoyment without unnecessary procedural delays.

Ensuring the long-term sustainability of Mission Bay Park will help preserve this extraordinary recreational resource for future generations.

For these reasons, Mission Bay Park Committee supports AB 2525.

Sincerely,

Jeff Johnson  
Chairman, on behalf of the Committee  
Mission Bay Park Committee, City of San Diego Boards and Commissions